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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
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FOR: SUBSTRATE PROCESSING :  
APPARATUS AND SUBSTRATE  
PROCESSING METHOD

PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 CFR 1.48(b)

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR §1.48(b), Applicants hereby petition for a deletion in inventorship. This is a divisional application based on parent application serial no. 09/772,923 and the prosecution of this divisional application results in the cancellation of claims so that fewer than all of the currently named inventors in parent application serial no. 09/772,923 are the actual inventors of the invention being claimed in this divisional application.

In selecting Group II in the accompanying Response to Restriction Requirement, the inventorship has changed and the original applicants, namely:

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